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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF SOVIET COUNTERDRAFT OF PROPOSED JOINT
DECLARATION ON NUCLEAR NONPROLIFERATION, GIVEN US BY BRITISH
EMBASSY FEBRUARY 11:

1. THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS AND THE UNITED
KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND WILL DO ALL IN
THEIR POWER TO STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY,
TO AVERT THE DANGER OF NUCLEAR WAR, TO END THE ARMS RACE AND
TO ATTAIN GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT UNDER EFFEC-
TIVE INTERNATIONAL CONTROL. THEY EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE
AND NECESSITY OF SERIOUS EFFORTS DIRECTED AT PREVENTING THE
SPREAD OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

2. IN THIS CONNECTION, THE TWO SIDES NOTE THE GREAT
IMPORTANCE OF THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR
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WEAPONS. THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED KINGDOM RESOLUTELY

EXPRESS THEMSELVES IN SUPPORT OF THE TREATY AND REAFFIRM THEIR JOINT INTENTION STRICTLY TO OBSERVE THE OBLIGATIONS ASSUMED BY THEM UNDER THE TREATY.

3. THE TWO SIDES NOTE THAT THE TREATY ON THE NON-

PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS HAS CREATED FAVOURABLE CONDITIONS FOR BROADENING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF PEACEFUL USES OF ATOMIC ENERGY BY THE STATES PARTY TO THE TREATY, INCLUDING NON-NUCLEAR ONES. THEY ARE CONVINCED THAT FURTHER MEASURES CAN BE WORKED OUT ON THIS BASIS TO PROMOTE THE BENEFITS DERIVING FROM THE APPLICATIONS OF NUCLEAR ENERGY, EXCLUDING AT THE SAME TIME THE POSSIBILITY OF USING FISSIONABLE MATERIALS AND NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY FOR MILITARY PURPOSES. THEY WILL WORK FOR THE PROVISION, UNDER RELIABLE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY SAFEGUARDS, OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS, EQUIPMENT AND INFORMATION ONLY FOR PEACEFUL USES IN NON-NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES. THEY CONFIRM THEIR READINESS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE IN CARRYING OUT NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

4. THE TWO SIDES EMPHASIZE THAT AT PRESENT THE TASK OF A MORE EFFECTIVE AND UNIVERSAL APPLICATION OF THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IS BECOMING URGENT AS NEVER BEFORE. THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED KINGDOM WILL FACILITATE IN EVERY POSSIBLE WAY THE REALIZATION OF THIS IMPORTANT TASK. THEY URGE ALL STATES, WHICH HAVE NOT YET DONE SO, TO ACCEDE TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

5. THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED KINGDOM ATTACH GREAT IMPORTANCE TO THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY REVIEW CONFERENCE, WHICH WILL MEET IN GENEVA IN MAY 1975. THEY BELIEVE THAT THE CONFERENCE IS CALLED UPON TO ENHANCE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. THEY ARE FULLY DETERMINED TO MAKE THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE FULFILMENT BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE TASK FACING IT.

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6. THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED KINGDOM WELCOME THE PROGRESS ACHIEVED IN RECENT YEARS IN LIMITING STRATEGIC ARMS AND NUCLEAR-WEAPON TESTS. THEY WILL CONTINUE TO

WORK TO FURTHER THE CAUSE OF DISARMAMENT AT APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL FORA, INCLUDING THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE CONFERENCE OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT. END TEXT. INGERSOLL

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